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PRAYER UPON ENTERING

Save us, O Lord our God, and gather us from the nations, that we may give thanks to Your holy name and glory in Your praise. Praise be to the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting. Let all the people say, "Amen!" Praise the LORD. (from Psalm 106:47-48)

-A Daily Prayer Catechism: The Lord Will Answer, pg. 115.

THE SALT OF THE EARTH (Matthew 5:13) Three of the four Evangelists (Matthew, Mark, and Luke) include this saying of Jesus concerning being a true disciple and being true salt. Here, Jesus continues his announcement to the disciples on the mount by calling the Twelve to be the salt of the earth. This is not some kind of "divine pep-talk". Jesus reveals to his disciples that they are called as Jesus' salt, seasoning the world with the message of His redemption. Arthur Just comments that just as "food that tastes bad [is] redeemed by seasoning with salt", the disciples are called to be the salt of the earth "because through their presence in the world, Jesus [the Redeemer] is present".

THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD (Matthew 5:14-16) Saint Matthew continues with a universal theme of all four Gospels: the saving Light. (Matthew 5:14-16; Mark 4:21; Luke 8:16, 11:33; John 8:12) Jesus clearly announces to the twelve Disciples that they are "the light of the world". (Matthew 5:14). The one true Light that came into the world in order to save the world (John 1) now reveals the bright glory of the Gospel, and entrusts this precious treasure of His Church to the disciples. The saving Word can never be hid. It shines beyond the congregation to illuminate all.

THE FULFILLMENT OF THE LAW (Matthew 5:17-20) Jesus continues to instruct those He has called to be His Church on earth by revealing that there is no destruction of the Law of Moses (the 10 Commandments) with the appearance of the Christ – the Messiah. Jesus has not come to destroy the *Torah* of God. Jesus has come to fulfill the Law – the *whole* Law. Similar to what Saint Paul states in Romans 10:4, Jesus is revealing something that will remain confusing to the twelve Disciples – until after the Cross. The "telos", the "end", the "fulfillment" of the Law, occurs through the sacrificial, atoning death of our Lord when he victoriously acclaims from the Cross that it is finished, it is ended, it is fulfilled. In our Baptism, and in the Lord's Supper, we receive not only the forgiveness of our sins; we are covered with a righteousness that greatly exceeds that of the most dedicated and devout religious leader.

Stand

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong.: Amen.

(Matthew 28:19b; [18:20])

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

Cong.: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(1 John 1:8-9)

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

Cong.: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

(John 20:19-23)

Cong.: Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

INTROIT

(Psalm 119:9-16; *antiphon*: Psalm 119:12)

Pastor: Blessèd are you, O LORD; teach me your statutes!

How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word.

Cong.: With my whole heart I seek you;

let me not wander from your commandments!

Pastor: I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.

Cong.: Blessèd are you, O LORD; teach me your statutes!

Pastor: With my lips I declare all the just decrees of your mouth.

Cong.: In the way of your testimonies I delight as much as in all riches.

Pastor: I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways.

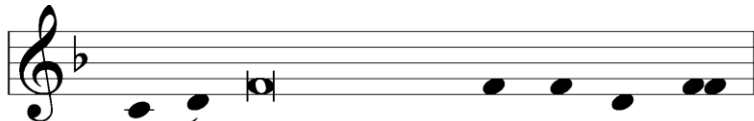
Cong.: I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Pastor: Blessèd are you, O LORD; teach me your statutes!

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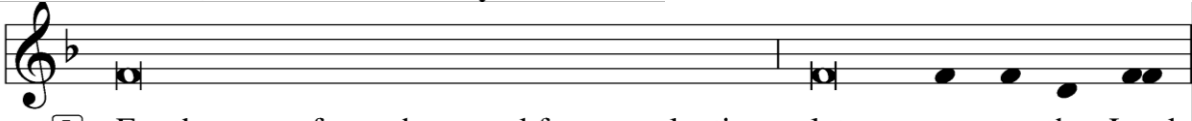
(Mark 10:47)



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



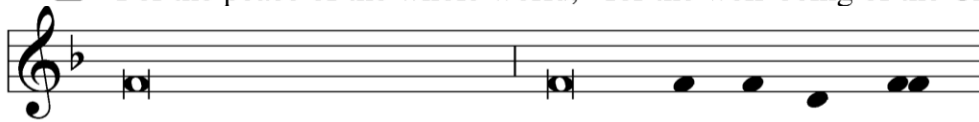
A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



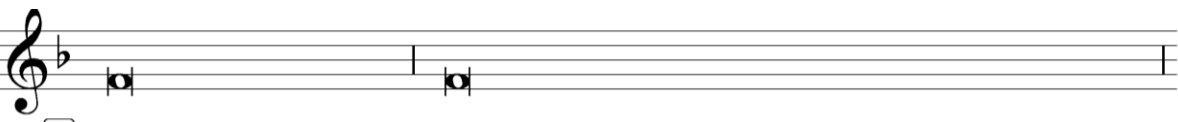
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



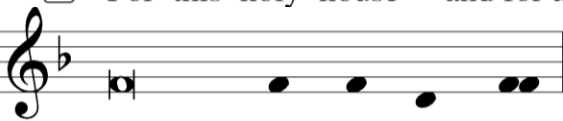
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



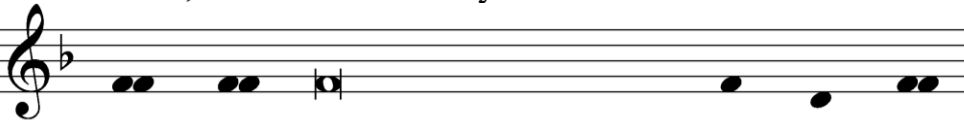
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

(Revelation 5:12-13; 19: 5-9)

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrai*

Final Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

SALUTATION

(2 Timothy 4:22)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong.: And also with you.

Pastor: O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

ANTHEM

“You are the Salt and the Light”

(arr. Pepper Choplin)

You are the salt, the salt of the earth. You are the light, the light of the world. Go to the world and give it flavor. Go with the light and let it shine. You are the salt, the salt of the earth. You are the light, the light of the world. But what good is the salt if it loses its flavor? What good is the light until it shines. One tiny bit, just a bit of salt can change all the flavor and take the bitterness away. A tiny point of light can pierce thro' the darkness to shine with a guiding ray. Go live as the salt, the salt of the earth. Go, live as the light, the light of the world. You are the salt, so share all the flavor. You are the light, so let it shine. You are the salt of the earth. You are the light of the world, so let it shine.

READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

Elder: The Lord be with you.

Cong.: And also with you.

Old Testament Reading (page 617 in the pew Bibles)

Isaiah 58:3-9a

“Why have we fasted, and you see it not? Why have we humbled ourselves, and you take no knowledge of it?’ Behold, in the day of your fast you seek your own pleasure, and oppress all your workers. Behold, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to hit with a wicked fist. Fasting like yours this day will not make your voice to be heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day for a person to humble himself? Is it to bow down his head like a reed, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? Will you call this a fast, and a day acceptable to the LORD? “Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover him, and not to hide yourself from your own flesh? Then shall your light break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up speedily; your righteousness shall go before you; the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry, and he will say, ‘Here I am.’”

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.

Epistle (page 952 in the pew Bibles)

1 Corinthians 2:1-12

And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away.

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But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him”—these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For who knows a person’s thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.

Stand ALLELUIA (John 6:68)

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

G Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

Holy Gospel (page 810 in the pew Bibles)

Matthew 5:13-20

[Jesus said:] “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet. “You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

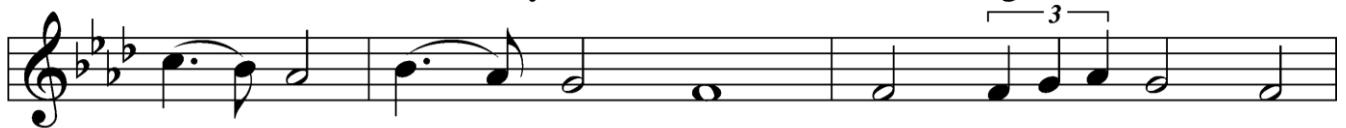
G Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Thy Strong Word” [LSB hymn 578]



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At Thy
 2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as
 3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ - teous; Bright with
 4 From the cross Thy wis - dom shin - ing Break - eth



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed
 night and deep as death, Broke the light of
 Thine own ho - li - ness, Glo - rious now, we
 forth in con - qu'ring might; From the cross for -



light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.
 Thy sal - va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - breath - ing breath.
 press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes con - fess.
 ev - er beam - eth All Thy bright re - deem - ing light.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to



Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!

5 Give us lips to sing Thy glory,
 Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,
 Throats that shout the hope that fills us,
 Mouths to speak Thy holy name.
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 May the light which Thou dost send
 Fill our songs with alleluias,
 Alleluias without end!

△ 6 God the Father, light-creator,
 To Thee laud and honor be.
 To Thee, Light of Light begotten,
 Praise be sung eternally.
 Holy Spirit, light-revealer,
 Glory, glory be to Thee.
 Mortals, angels, now and ever
 Praise the holy Trinity!

SERMON
“Wisdom of Men vs the Power of God”
(Pastor Jim Toma)

Stand

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**I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living
and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and
glorified, who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

Sit

OFFERING

You may place your offering in the plate as you exit the service.

OFFERTORY

(Psalm 51:10-12)

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(1 Timothy 2: 1-4)

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Almighty God, You delight to loose the bonds of wickedness and undo the straps of the heavy yoke, that freed from sin's bondage, we may gladly receive Your blessings. Preserve us from the lie that You are a cruel oppressor, and give us thankful hearts to rejoice that You are the Giver of all good gifts. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Merciful God, preserve Your Church by Your life-giving Word. Open the lips of pastors to declare Your just decrees and store them up in the hearts of Your people, that we may delight in Your promises and abound in good works. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord, give wisdom and courage to parents as they teach their children Your ways. Make our homes havens of peace in a quarrelsome, self-seeking world. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Heavenly Father, You declare that a young man may keep his way pure by guarding it according to Your Word. Protect children and youth against the siren calls of the devil, the world and their own sinful nature. Grant delight in Your testimonies as much as in all riches. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Almighty God, according to Your wisdom You establish rulers of this age for a time. Remember our president; governor; and all those You have placed in authority, that they might fulfill their duties with wisdom. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Holy Father, cause healing to spring up speedily for the sake of Your Son. Have mercy upon those who suffer afflictions of sin in mind and body *especially*.... Where You permit trial to remain, preserve Your people in faith until the day when Your light breaks forth like the dawn. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O God, in Christ Your righteousness goes before us and Your glory is our rearguard. Answer our pleas for mercy this day in the gift of Christ's body and blood, and prepare all those who commune to receive Him worthily and joyfully. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Holy Spirit, that delivered from the spirit of this world, we may hold fast in faith to what You freely give us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

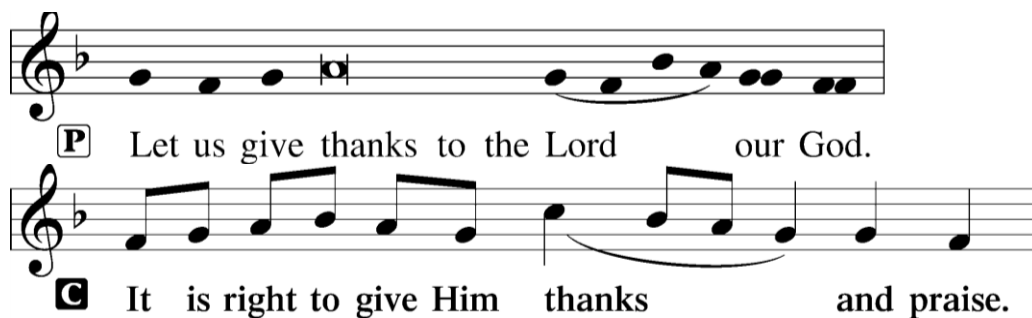
✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠ PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.



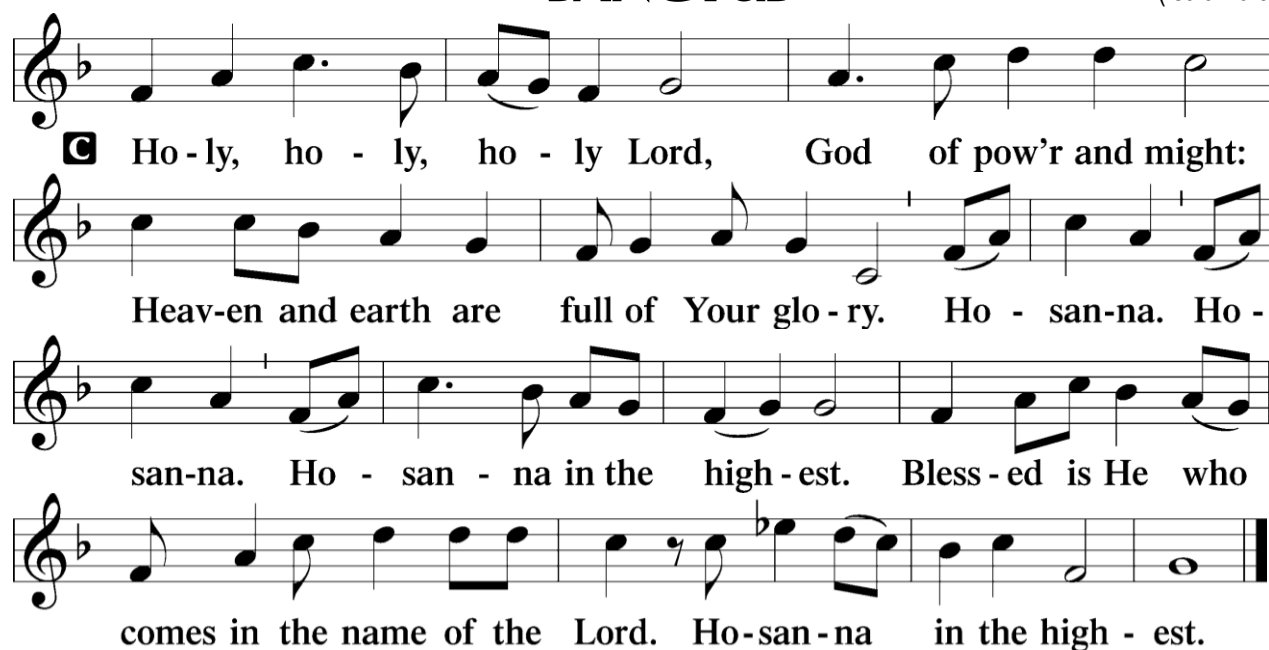
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary ... evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS

(Isaiah 6:3; Mathew 21:9)



C Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
 Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Bless - ed is He who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

(Matthew 6: 9-13)

Pastor: Remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

**Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

WORDS OF OUR LORD

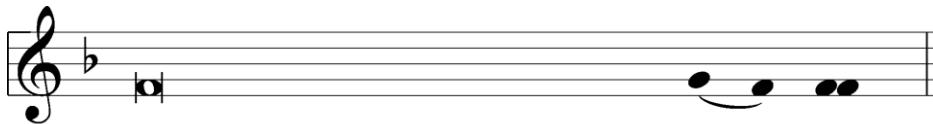
(Mathew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22: 19-20; 1 Corinthians 11: 23-25)

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; This is My ✝ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✝ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI

(John 20:19)



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

AGNUS DEI

(John 1: 29)

C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this altar in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, are in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor of this congregation. For further study, see Matthew 5:23ff, 10:32ff, 18:15-35, 26:26-29; 1 Corinthians 11:17-34.

What actually is the Lord's Supper?

The Lord's Supper (Holy Communion) should be received, after proper instruction and preparation, in the sure and certain confidence that Jesus Christ is truly present in, with and under the bread and wine to forgive the sin of all who receive him in repentance (according to 1Corinthians 10:14-17; 11:17-33; Matthew 26:17-30; Mark 14:12-26; Luke 22:7-30). Please review the questions on pages 326-27 and 329-330 in the front part of "Lutheran Service Book" for a proper understanding of this holy meal.

Who may properly come to the Lord's Supper?

You are invited to receive Christ's true body and blood if you:

- have been Baptized into the name of the Triune God (Father, Son and Holy Spirit);
- repent of your sin against God and recognize your need to forgive others as God has forgiven you;
- put your trust in Jesus Christ alone for your salvation;
- are old enough to examine your own faith and life (according to 1Corinthians 11:27-32);
- believe in the words of Jesus himself when he declares that his Body and Blood are truly present in, with and under the bread and wine, offering life, salvation and the forgiveness of sins;
- sincerely intend to live a God-pleasing life in accordance with God's will as revealed in the Bible;
- have received instruction about the Supper at a Lutheran Church Missouri Synod congregation.

I now come to the Lord's Table having read, understood and agreed with these beliefs.

PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNING

Almighty Lord Jesus Christ, as often as I shall come to Your holy table to refresh my spirit, I pray You to make me, unworthy as I am, worthy through Your grace; impure as I am, to make me clean; naked as I am, to clothe me, so that Your body, so full of divine power, and Your most precious blood may not become for me, Your servant, the occasion for judgment or punishment, but a memorial of the death You underwent for me, a strengthening of my faith, a proof of the taking away of my sins, a bond of closer union with You and Your people, an increase of holiness, the basis of a glad resurrection, and a pledge of everlasting life. Amen.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

“Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread” [LSB hymn 625]



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, life - giv - ing bread, May I in grace
2 To pas - tures green, Lord, safe - ly guide, To rest - ful wa -
3 O bread of heav'n, my soul's de - light, For full and free
4 I do not mer - it fa - vor, Lord, My weight of sin



pos - sess You. Let me with ho - ly food be fed,
ters lead me; Your ta - ble well for me pro - vide,
re - mis - sion I come with prayer be - fore Your sight
would break me; In all my guilt - y heart's dis - cord,



In hun - ger I ad - dress You. Pre - pare me well
Your wound - ed hand now feed me. Though wea - ry, sin -
In sor - row and con - tri - tion. Your righ - teous - ness,
O Lord, do not for - sake me. In my dis - tress



for You, O Lord, And, hum - bly by my prayer im - plored,
ful, sick, and weak, Ref - uge in You a - lone I seek,
Lord, cov - er me That I re - ceive You wor - thi - ly,
this com - forts me That You re - ceive me gra - cious - ly,



Give me Your grace and mer - cy.
To share Your cup of heal - ing.
As - sured of Your full par - don.
O Christ, my Lord of mer - cy!

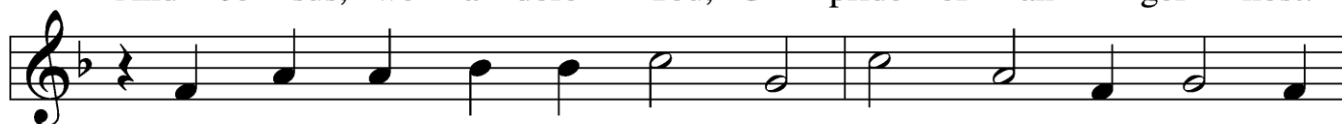
“The Only Son from Heaven” [LSB hymn 402]



1 The on - ly Son from heav - en, Fore - told by an - cient seers,
 2 O time of God ap - point - ed, O bright and ho - ly morn!
 3 O Lord, our hearts a - wak - en To know and love You more,
 △ 4 O Fa - ther, here be - fore You With God the Ho - ly Ghost



By God the Fa - ther giv - en, In hu - man form ap - pears.
 He comes, the king a - noint - ed, The Christ, the vir - gin - born,
 In faith to stand un - shak - en, In spir - it to a - dore,
 And Je - sus, we a - dore You, O pride of an - gel host:



No sphere His light con - fin - ing, No star so bright - ly
 Grim death to van - quish for us, To o - pen heav'n be -
 That we, through this world mov - ing, Each glimpse of heav - en
 Be - fore You mor - tals low - ly Cry, “Ho - ly, ho - ly,

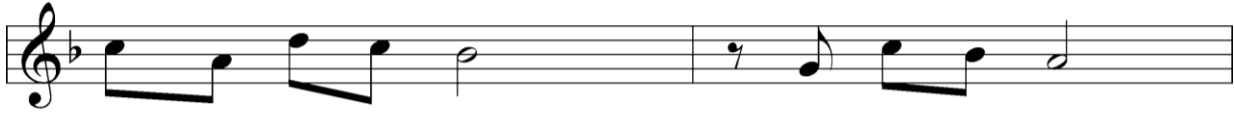


shin - ing As He, our Morn - ing Star.
 fore us And bring us life a - gain.
 prov - ing, May reap its full - ness there.
 ho - ly, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty!”

“What Is This Bread” [LSB hymn 629]



1 What is this bread?	Christ's bod - y
2 What is this wine?	The blood of
3 So who am I,	That I should
4 Yet is God here?	Oh, yes! By
5 Is this for me?	I am for -



ris - en from the dead:	This bread we break,
Je - sus shed for mine;	The cup of grace
live and He should die	Un - der the rod?
Word and prom - ise clear,	In mouth and soul
giv - en and set free!	I do be - lieve



This life we take,	Was crushed to pay for our re -
Brings His em - brace	Of life and love un - til I
My God, my God,	Why have You not for - sak - en
He makes us whole—	Christ, tru - ly pres - ent in this
That I re - ceive	His ver - y bod - y and His



lease.	O taste and see—	the Lord is peace.
sing!	O taste and see—	the Lord is King.
me?	O taste and see—	the Lord is free.
meal.	O taste and see—	the Lord is real.
blood.	O taste and see—	the Lord is good.

Stand

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re - calls His prom - is - es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Pastor: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

BENEDICTION

(Numbers 6: 24-26)

Pastor: May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

May the Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you His peace.

Cong.: Amen.

HYMN OF THE MONTH

“Songs of Thankfulness and Praise” [LSB hymn 394]



1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,
2 Man - i - fest at Jor-dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King su-preme;
3 Man - i - fest in mak-ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
4 Sun and moon shall dark-ened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee;
5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word—



Man - i - fest - ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far,
And at Ca - na wed - ding guest In Thy God-head man - i - fest;
Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
Christ will then like light - ning shine, All will see His glo - rious sign;
Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem:
Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring - ing good from ill;
All will then the trum - pet hear, All will see the Judge ap - pear;
That we might be - come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny



An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
Thou by all wilt be con - fessed, God in man made man - i - fest.
And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.

(Psalm 103:1)

POSTLUDE

SERVING OUR LORD AND HIS PEOPLE TODAY

	<i>8:00 Service</i>	<i>11:00 Service</i>
Acolyte:	Steve Snyder	Rick Ritchie
Ushers:	Scott Prior Ellen Prior	Jason Duffey Ken Lesniewski
Elder/Reader:	Steve Snyder	Rick Ritchie
Organist:	Matt Laub	
Pianist:	Beth Hansen	
Music:	Sanctuary Choir	
Altar Guild:	Carol Waidner, Scott Prior, Joan Harris	

LAST SUNDAY WE PRAYED FOR:

HEALING **Paula Stenzel** is under observation to guard against stroke. **Derek Venlet** is weighing his treatment options for his advanced cancer. **Tony Kostallas** is scheduled for another prostate surgery. He and **Cathy** (wife) also have sinus colds. They are friends of Doris & Harry White. **Herbert Hein**, Lori Reilly's father is recovering from a stroke he had last week. **Cheryl & Michael Brooks** are battling health issues. **Paul Jurenka Sr.** has an ulcer. **Robert** fell out of his chair. **Dick Erickson** has skin cancer.

THANKSGIVING The Zurawski family is thankful for **Morgan's** recovery from abdominal surgery. Margie Cantrell is thankful for **Nicole's** successful surgery. **Ron Anderson** is thankful for his hernia surgery.

ASSURANCE/ENCOURAGEMENT **Cheryl Lesniewski** is having balance issues.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS: Jim Toma 2/6; Jennifer Koehler 2/7; Natalie Zurawski 2/11.

THIS WEEK'S WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: Harry & Doris White 2/7;
Christopher & Luiza Lundgren 2/10.

THIS WEEK'S BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS: Margaret Button 2/7; Brendan Hawkins 2/8;
Sean Hawkins 2/8; Dylan Tomich 2/8; Wayne Anderson 2/11; Catherine Wuckert 2/11.

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NEWS AND NOTES

FEBRUARY 5, 2023

Opportunities This Week To Serve Our Lord And Our Neighbor

5 Sunday	<i>Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany</i> Divine Service 8:00 & 11:00 AM Sunday School/Confirmation Classes 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study “Matthew” 9:30 AM (in the Sanctuary with Pastor Toma) Sunday School Brunch Bunch 10:30 AM Youth Ski Retreat
6 Monday	<i>Pastor Toma’s Day Off/Church Office Closed</i> Al Anon 10:00 AM Celestial Ringers 7:00 PM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM
7 Tuesday	Preschool Chapel 9:30 AM Al Anon 6:00 PM Christian Hospitality Meeting 6:00 PM Sanctuary Choir 7:00 PM
8 Wednesday	Service of Light 6:30 PM Bible Study “The Great Sending 7:00 PM <i>God’s Heart for the world beating through You”</i>
9 Thursday	Preschool Chapel 9:30 AM Preschool Board Meeting 6:30 PM Council Meeting 7:30 PM
10 Friday	New Member Dinner 6:00 PM
11 Saturday	Breakfast Bible Study with Pastor Jonathan Ruehs 8:30/9:00 AM Sewing Group 9:30 AM-5:00 PM
12 Sunday	<i>Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany</i> Service of the Word 8:00 & 11:00 AM Sunday School/Confirmation Classes 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study “Matthew” 9:30 AM (in the Sanctuary with Pastor Toma)

For Further Information Please Call the Church Office at 714-846-6330

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BIBLE STUDIES

“Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of Christ” (Romans 10:17)

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT STUDY

“Matthew” (9:30 AM with Pastor Toma in the Sanctuary)

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

“The Great Sending” (7:00 PM with Pastor Toma in the Priscilla Circle Room)

REDEEMER'S STEWARDSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 107

*God has given each of us gifts and calls us in 1 Peter 4:10,11 to
"use them to serve one another that God may be glorified through Jesus Christ".*



SPOTLIGHT ON STEWARDSHIP Matthew 5:17 "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them." We cannot keep the Law of God perfectly. We are sinners. For us to be saved, Jesus had to fulfill the Law in our place so that the threat of the Law is abolished and the Law itself is upheld. Now, in Christ, we do desire to fulfill the Law, to live out a godly Christian life, precisely because we are so full of thanksgiving toward God for His salvation in Christ.

AROUND REDEEMER

WORSHIP SERVICES AT REDEEMER will be offered in our Sanctuary on Sundays at 8:00 and 11:00 AM and available online at 8:00 AM on www.facebook.com/RedeemerLutheranHB/ as a Facebook live stream, and accessible from www.redeemer-lutheran.net. Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 AM for Sunday School.

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL the lesson is **Jesus Feeds Five Thousand**. John 6:1-14. In His love, God promises to care for all our physical and spiritual needs and gives us the greatest treasure: His Son and the gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation.

BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY February 11th our speaker will be Pastor Jonathan Ruehs. The topic will be "**Things that go Bump in the Night: A Lutheran Appraisal and Approach to the Paranormal**". Plan to attend this very informative presentation. Please RSVP to the church office for breakfast.

WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR RINGERS! The adult handbell choir is recruiting new ringers. Looking for anyone High School age and up. No prior musical experience is required! If you have any interest please talk to Matt Laub as soon as he finishes playing the Postlude this morning or email him at mattalaub@gmail.com.

PRIVATE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION AND COMMUNION are by appointment. Please call the church office to arrange a date and time.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

HELP A CHILD GO TO SCHOOL The Redeemer Lutheran Preschool Board has established a Preschool Scholarship Fund. We have had families visit our school who simply cannot afford the tuition and were not approved for governmental assistance. We would like to offer these families a good Christian education for their children. To donate to this fund, please make your check payable to Redeemer Lutheran Church with "Preschool Scholarship Fund" on the memo line. Thank you for your continued support of Redeemer Lutheran Preschool.



HYMN OF THE MONTH

SONGS OF THANKFULNESS AND PRAISE LSB 394 Christopher Wordsworth (1807-85), Anglican and nephew of the Romantic poet William, Wordsworth, published this hymn in his 1862 collection *The Holy Year*. The hymn thus alludes to Gospel readings from prior Sundays after the Epiphany, all of which address a particular “manifestation” of Christ.

Epiphany means to “show forth” or “manifest,” which is the key word of Wordsworth’s Epiphany text. The first three stanzas are devoted to different incidents in which “God in man” is “made manifest” in the person and work of Jesus. The first stanza focuses on His manifestation to the Magi by a star. Here Jesus is called “branch of royal David’s stem,” referring to Jeremiah’s prophecy, “Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch” (Jeremiah 23:5). The second stanza refers to Jesus’ Baptism, an inauguration into His threefold office as “Prophet, Priest and King supreme.” Here He is “shown forth” as God’s Son by the Father’s voice from heaven and the Spirit’s presence in the form of a dove. The second stanza then discusses the miracle at the wedding of Cana, “the first of His signs,” says John, where He “manifested His glory” (John 2:11).

The third stanza addresses incidents from other Epiphany Gospel texts. Jesus went about “healing every disease and every affliction among the people” (Matthew 4:23), and Wordsworth uses the phrase “palsied limbs and fainting soul” to emphasize Jesus’ healing of both body and soul. Jesus is also manifest in His “valiant fight” when tempted by Satan in the wilderness. He manifests Himself in “ever bringing good from ill,” a phrase that could apply to a number of incidents but might refer to the stilling of the storm, another Epiphany reading. Wordsworth ends each of these stanzas with a refrain that exhorts us to address anthems of praise to Jesus, “God in man made manifest.”

While the first three stanzas look backward, the fourth stanza shifts—as Wordsworth stated in his preface—to the “anticipation of the future great and glorious Epiphany.” Here the poet paraphrases Mark 13, where Jesus predicts a time when “the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and . . . they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds” (Mark 13:24-26). He will come “as the lightning” (Matthew 24:27), and all will see Him appear as Judge, His final manifestation. In light of these truths, Wordsworth ends with a prayer that Jesus be manifest among us in His Word. We also pray for “grace to imitate Thee now,” an allusion to Paul’s exhortation that we “be imitators of God” (Ephesians 5:1). And even as John declared that “when He appears we shall be like Him” (1 John 3:2), Wordsworth asks “that we might become like Thee at Thy great epiphany.”

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DAILY, CHRIST OFFERS HIS RICH BLESSINGS THROUGH THE SCRIPTURES. SUGGESTED READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 5, 2023	
Sunday, February 5:	Job 2:1-3:10; Isaiah 58:3-9a; 1 Corinthians 2:1-12; Matthew 5:13-20
Monday, February 6:	Job 3:11-26 & John 1:35-51
Tuesday, February 7:	Job 4:1-21 & John 2:1-12
Wednesday, February 8:	Job 5:1-27 & John 2:13-25
Thursday, February 9:	Job 6:1-13 & John 3:1-21
Friday, February 10:	Job 6:14-30 & John 3:22-4:6
Saturday, February 11:	Job 7:1-21 & John 4:7-26
Sunday, February 12:	Job 8:1-22; Deuteronomy 30:15-20; 1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Matthew 5:21-37

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**“YOUR FAITH SHOULD
NOT BE IN THE WISDOM
OF MEN, BUT IN THE
POWER OF GOD.”**

—1 CORINTHIANS 2:5

